DIARY NOTES

Executive Director-Comptroller 1/

25 September 1965

1. Ray Cline telephoned to say that, while he had been assinged responsibility for producing information for the Director on the comparison of Soviet and U.S. satellite launch rates, Bud Wheelon was stirring around in this field and had asked him to make a contribution to his efforts. Ray said that he had no objection to the responsibility being transferred to Bud if I wanted to do so. I declined to transfer responsibility and told him that he would retain it.

2. Ray Cline talked with me today and was considerably upset because he had just received a copy of the Director's letter to Sherman Kent requesting that he postpone his retirement for another year. Ray was obviously very much hurt that this decision had been made without anyone talking to him. I expressed my regret and told him that I was sure that this was an oversight on the part of the Director because the Director had told me last Monday, 20 September, that he had already asked Sherm to stay on and that he would talk to Ray about this on Tuesday. We discussed his reorganization plans generally, and I told him that I didn't know what was going to happen. He was pretty well down in the dumps and felt that he had been mistreated by the Director and Dick Helms taking this action without first talking with him.

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